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Shea, Bonadio, Peters and Mooney

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AMENDMENT; AND RESPONSE TO SECOND AND NON-FINAL OFFICIAL ACTION DATED JANUARY 29, 2003

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

The Examiner is respectfully requested to enter the following amendments. A response to the second and non-Final Official Action dated January 29, 2003 ("the second Action") is also submitted, and the Examiner is respectfully requested to consider the remarks therein. The response confirms allowance of all claims, and re-examination and reconsideration is respectfully requested on this basis. The response is timely filed without an extension or fee.